# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
# COMMUNICATIONS
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DEVELOPMENT OF TELECOM IN BIHAR
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**Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:**

(a) the funds allocated for development of telecom services in Bihar during the last three years and the current financial year;

(b) whether the telecom circles have completed the work as per the targets fixed in this regard;

(c) the details of the amount spent for this purpose during the last three years and the current year; and

(d) the number of telephone connections issued in Bihar especially Shekhpura and Lakhisarai districts during the last three years, Exchange-wise?

## Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI TAPAN SIKDAR)

(a) The funds allocated for the development of telecom services in Bihar during the relevant years were/are as follows:

1997-98 Rs. 262.67 crores
1998-99 Rs. 335.16 crores
1999-2000 Rs. 385.04 crores
2000-2001 Rs. 715.45 crores(B.E.)

(b) Overall targets in all parameters except VPTs have been achieved in the country in all the three years. However, in Bihar there were short falls in DELs & VPTs as below:

BIHAR CIR CLE

| YEAR | TARGET | | ACHIEVEMENTS | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| | DELs | VPTs | DELs | VPTs |
| 1997-98 | 60,000 | 12,000 | 66,294 | 2,615 |
| 1998-99 | 1,31,000 | 6,000 | 1,03,128 | 2,137 |
| 1999-2000 | 1,63,000 | 8,000 | 1,25,179 | 4,602 |

(c) The amount spent for the development of telecom services in all the circles in the country during:

1997-98 Rs. 8646.10 crores
1998-99 Rs. 9450.34 crores
1999-2000 Rs. 12510.77 crores
2000-2001 Rs. 1841.74 crores upto June 2000

(d) No. of DELs provided during the last three years in Bihar:

| (i) Year | DELs Provided |
|---|---|
| 1997-98 | 66,294 |
| 1998-99 | 1,03,128 |
| 1999-2000 | 1,25,179 |

(ii) Exchange-wise DELs provided in Shekhpura & Lakhisarai is as under:

| Sl.No. | Name of Exchange | 97-98 | 98-99 | 99-2000 |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| | SHEKHPURA | | | |
| 1. | Barhigha | 11 | 55 | 75 |
| 2. | Chewara | - | - | 20 |
| 3. | Hathiama | 4 | 17 | 18 |
| 4. | Mehus | 3 | 19 | 4 |
| 5. | Shekhpura | 158 | 262 | 223 |
| | LAKHISARAI | | | |
| 1. | Barahiya | 71 | 80 | 32 |
| 2. | Ghosaith | - | 97 | 54 |
| 3. | Halsi | - | - | 152 |
| 4. | Kaithma | - | - | 5 |
| 5. | Kajara | 33 | 43 | - |
| 6. | Lakhisarai | 300 | 298 | 1261 |
| 7 | Medini Chawki | 17 | 49 | 4 |
| 8. | Ram Garh | 13 | 64 | 40 |
| 9. | Ram Pur | - | - | 102 |
| 10. | Sekhopur Sarai | - | - | 5 |
| 11. | Suryagarha | 65 | 51 | 201 |
| 12. | Tetarhat | - | - | 152 |